

# EXHIBIT 3

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

SAC, Washington Field Office

December 31, 1948

Director, FBI

JUDITH COPLON  
ESPIONAGE - R

In connection with the case entitled "Sovme; Espionage - R", a series of messages dated from July 20, 1944 to January 8, 1945 have been received which reflect the activity of the U.G.B. in recruiting three persons as Soviet agents, all of whom were apparently employed in agencies of the United States Government.

One of these persons was designated in the messages by the code name of Sima. In a message dated July 20, 1944 it is indicated that Sima was working in the Economic Section of the War Division of the Department of Justice. In a message dated December 5, 1944 it is stated that Sima was being "drawn into active work" and was to be advised where her information was going (i.e. Soviet Intelligence). On December 31, 1944 a message states that Sima was being transferred to the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the Department of Justice. A message dated January 8, 1945 comments that Sima's new work would be very important to the M.G.B. and she would enter the work (probably meaning the Foreign Agents Registration Section) on February 15, 1945. This message indicates that she would move to Washington, D. C.

Information has been obtained from the Department which reflects that Sima is without doubt identical with Judith Coplon, who is presently an employee in the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the Department of Justice. The Department's file reflects that Judith Coplon was recommended by a Robert Wohlforth of the Economic Warfare Section, War Division, Department of Justice, New York Office, on May 29, 1943 for the position of translator-research assistant. She entered on duty June 15, 1943 and served in the Economic Warfare Section. On December 19, 1944 there appears a recommendation for her transfer to the position of political analyst in the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the Department, Washington, D. C. with a potential assignment to matters dealing with the British Empire. The transfer was ordered on December 20, 1944 and was to be effective January 16, 1945. The transfer was actually effective on February 16, 1945. It was ascertained from the Department that Judith Coplon is the only employee of the Economic Warfare Section to ever be transferred to the Foreign Agents Registration Section.

It is to be noted that this subject was investigated by your Office (WFO file 77-18466) in the case entitled "Judith Coplon, Departmental Applicant, Political Analyst". You should carefully review that file for additional information regarding this woman. You will note that that file lists the subject's address as 2634 Tunlaw Road, N. W., Washington, D. C. It is also noted that the current telephone directory gives the same residence address and lists her telephone as 5217.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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You will be issued separate instructions for a full field loyalty investigation of this woman which should be handled separately by your Office, but at the same time, carefully coordinated in so far as the information obtained by investigation is concerned. ~~The Bureau is requesting authorization for a technical investigation on this subject and as soon as this authorization is obtained, you will be advised.~~ The following investigation of this woman should be immediately instituted.

You should arrange for Z coverage, make a survey to determine the possibilities for the institution of a microphone surveillance, and also to determine if a highly confidential source of information can be obtained. It is also requested that spot surveillances be conducted on this subject in order to determine her activities and contacts. Every effort should be made to conduct this investigation in such a manner so that we will, at the earliest possible time, be in a position to determine if this subject is presently engaged as an agent for the M.G.B.

You will be issued additional instructions for the investigation of the two other persons mentioned in the messages as Soviet agents. You should keep the Bureau fully advised of all developments in this case.

cc: New York